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STATE BOARD OF EQUALIZATION MEETING
5901 Green Valley Circle, Room 207, Culver City
June 21-24, 2011
NOTICE AND AGENDA
Meeting Agenda (as of 4:00 p.m., 06/23/11)

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**Agenda Changes** 

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# **Board Committee Meeting\***

This item is scheduled for Friday, June 24, 2011.

# 9:30 a.m. Board Meeting convenes\*\*

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# **Board Meeting\*\***

#### **Special Presentation**

- A. Homeowner and Renter Property Tax Assistance Hearings There are no items for this matter.
- B. Corporate Franchise and Personal Income Tax Hearings

(Contribution Disclosure forms required pursuant to Gov. Code § 15626.)

B1. Gerald J. Marcil and Carol L. Marcil, 458832+

For Appellant: Gerald J. Marcil, Taxpayer

Layton L. Pace, Attorney

For Franchise Tax Board: David Gemmingen, Tax Counsel

Ciro Immordino, Tax Counsel

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B2. Howard Brief, 530872 +

For Appellant: Howard Brief, Taxpayer
For Franchise Tax Board: Ciro Immordino, Tax Counsel

David Gemmingen, Tax Counsel

B3. Jaroslav Marik and Jirina Marik, 547265 +

For Appellant: Ward R. Nyhus, Jr., Attorney
For Franchise Tax Board: Raul Escatel, Tax Counsel
Bill Hilson, Tax Counsel

Thomas Najarian and Tamar Najarian, 522166 +

For Appellant: Meher Der Ohanessian, Representative

For Franchise Tax Board: Sonia Deshmukh, Tax Counsel

Bill Hilson, Tax Counsel

B5. Gerald A. Hutchinson, 552085 +

For Appellant: Michael Leight, Attorney

For Franchise Tax Board: Anjali Balasingham, Tax Counsel

David Gemmingen, Tax Counsel

B6. Myers Power Products, Inc., 546913 +

For Appellant: Jack E. Fisher, Representative

William S. McCarthy, Representative

Stein K. Agee, Representative

For Franchise Tax Board: Jane Perez, Tax Counsel

Karen Smith, Tax Counsel

B7. Marilyn S. Kwolek, 518196 +

For Appellant: Hector C. Perez, Attorney
For Franchise Tax Board: Raul Escatel, Tax Counsel
Bill Hilson, Tax Counsel

B8. Sean S. Niknafs and Sima Mirhashemi, 529770 +

For Appellant: James G. LeBloch, Attorney
For Franchise Tax Board: Adam Susz, Tax Counsel
Bill Hilson, Tax Counsel

B9. State-of-the-Art Technologies, Inc., 521969 +

For Appellant: Sota Omoigui, Representative

Barry Moser, Representative

For Franchise Tax Board: Diane Ewing, Tax Counsel

Jane Perez, Tax Counsel

B10. Gayle Barrett and Douglas Barrett, 538085 +

For Appellant: Gayle Barrett, Taxpayer
For Franchise Tax Board: Jaclyn Appleby, Tax Counsel
Diane Ewing, Tax Counsel

#### B11. Franklin Casco, Jr., 512009 +

For Appellant: Franklin Casco, Jr., Taxpayer For Franchise Tax Board: Karen Smith, Tax Counsel Diane Ewing, Tax Counsel

## B12. Bill Kells, 546539 +

For Appellant: Bill Kells, Taxpayer

For Franchise Tax Board: Jaclyn Appleby, Tax Counsel

Diane Ewing, Tax Counsel

### B13. Dean Mike and Theresa Mike, 382833 +

For Appellant: Keith Shibou, Representative

For Franchise Tax Board: Natasha Sherwood Page, Tax Counsel

Bill Hilson, Tax Counsel

## B14. Charles E. Kohlhase, Jr., 547973 +

Charles E. Kohlhase, Jr., Taxpayer For Appellant:

For Franchise Tax Board: Karen Smith, Tax Counsel

Diane Ewing, Tax Counsel

#### C. Sales and Use Tax Appeals Hearings

These items are scheduled for Thursday, June 23, 2011 and Friday, June 24, 2011.

#### D. **Special Taxes Appeals Hearings**

These items are scheduled for Friday, June 24, 2011.

#### E. Property Tax Appeals Hearings

There are no items for this matter.

#### F. **Public Hearings**

Proposed Adoption of Regulation 1685.5, Calculation F1. 

Staff request for adoption of proposed regulation to implement the new use tax table provisions of Revenue and Taxation Code section 6452.1.

F2. Business Taxpayers' Bill of Rights Hearings .......Mr. Gilman

Individuals have the opportunity to present ideas, concerns, and recommendations regarding legislation, the quality of agency services, and issues related to the administration of tax programs, including sales and use taxes, environmental fees, fuel taxes, and excise taxes, and any problems identified in the Taxpayers' Rights Advocate's Annual Report.

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F3. Property Taxpayers' Bill of Rights Hearings .......Mr. Gilman Individuals have the opportunity to present ideas, concerns, and recommendations regarding legislation, the quality of agency services, and issues related to the administration of tax programs, including state and county property tax, and any problems identified in the Taxpayers' Rights Advocate's Annual Report. Tax Program Nonappearance Matters – Consent (Contribution Disclosure forms not required pursuant to Gov. Code § 15626.) Legal Appeals Matters ......Mr. Levine G1. Hearing Notice Sent – No Response Steve Kwon, 443204 (EH) 1. 2. Cal-U-Rent of Thousand Oaks, Inc., 468292 (AR) 3. Outback Flight Services, Inc., 329124 (UT) Ali Shahryarinejad, 418258 (AC) 4. Beach City Market, Inc., 466431 (FH) 5. 6. Victor Mora, 448667 (EA) 7. Elsie Ruth Edmond, 457736 (AS) 8. Dennab, Inc.,418584 (EH) 9. Debra Lyn Holland, 474248 (FH) 10a. Arleen Dauber Robeson and Gerald Patrick Robeson, 308850 10b. Chief Red Cloud, LLC, 298033, 308053, 308054 (ET) 10c. Chief Red Cloud, LLC, 308851 (ET) Petitions for Release of Seized Property 11. Kulbir Singh Khangura, 567266 (ET) 12. Harish Gulati, 563805 (ET) 13. USA Liquor of Bakersfield, LLC, 565979 (ET) 14. Maria Josefina Valdez, 563791 (ET) 15. Sharaf Nagi Ali, 565985 (ET) G2. Franchise and Income Tax Matters ......Mr. Ambrose **Decisions** 1. Farhad Alamolhoda, 485964 Virginia H. Atherton, 538072 2. Cristilita S. Bautista, 535766 3. 4a. Briancroner.com, LLC, 536357 4b. UOFNOBS.com, LLC, 536359 4c. Greekbod.com, LLC, 536362 4d. Adglu.com, LLC, 536363 4e. Vapper.com, LLC, 536364 Sidney Corrie, Jr., 535336 5. The Cozy Stove & Spa Company, Inc., 546395 6. 7. Elias Gallegos III, 547977

Carolyn Gereau, 479768

Kizna Goodie, 510022

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- 10. Janice Healey, 514427
- 11. Robert Jeavons, 467572
- 12. Prabhakar Kotla, 510830
- 13. Shantai S. Mackey, 514014
- 14. Daniel J. Moncino II, 466930
- 15. Marta E. Percolla, 467005
- 16. Catherine A. Perez, 514767
- 17. John Reese, 510808
- 18. Todd K. Sand and Jennifer N. Memo, 536773
- 19. John Albert Schram III, 491626
- 20. Christopher A. Suarez, 536739
- 21. Robert Vernick and Myriam Vernick, 539077
- 22. Matthew Wharton and Stephanie Wharton, 513919
- 23. Ali Reza Zakeri. 535357
- Petitions for Rehearing
  - 24. Jeanette L. Dixon, 476764
  - 25. Lee Gale, 258580
  - 26. Clovus M. Sykes, 529645
- G3. Homeowner and Renter Property Tax Assistance Matters There are no items for this matter.
- G4. Sales and Use Taxes Matters......Mr. McGuire
  - Redeterminations
    - County Sanitation Dist Orange Co., 547413 (EA)
    - 2. Ira Stanley, 447520 (EA)
    - 3. S. Hessam Salarfar, 470298 (EH)
  - Relief of Penalty/Interest
    - Home Shopping LP, 567242 (OH)
- - Credits and Cancellations
    - 1. Barry Lee Collier, 482400 (AR)
  - Refunds
    - 2. County of L.A. Auditor, 553596 (AA)
    - 3. Williams-Sonoma, Inc., 559965 (BH)
    - 4. Charles Schwab & Co., Inc., 557597 (BH)
    - 5. County of Riverside Aud-Controllers, Lois Henry, 487900 (EH)
    - 6. Food'N Fuel, Inc., 556245
    - 7. Inland Empire Architectural Specialties, Inc., 563898 (EH)
    - 8. American Material Mgt. Alliance, Inc., 552905 (EH)
    - 9. Fry's Electronics, Inc., 563520 (GH)
    - 10. Mercedes-Benz USA, LLC, 567416 (KH)
    - 11. Agilent Technologies, Inc., 562280 (GH)
    - 12. Wells Fargo Dealer Services, Inc., 554767 (EA)
    - 13. Arrowhead Central Credit Union, 538738 (EH)
    - 14. Schoolsfirst Federal Credit Union, 497594 (EA)
    - 15. Americredit Financial Service, Inc., 553634 (OH)

- 16. Lobel Financial Corporation, 554396 (EA)
- 17. Pacific Service Credit Union, 553644 (CH)
- 18. Olson Precast Company, 561785 (EH)
- 19. Akka Corporation, 568761 (EA)
- 20. A-L Financial Corp., 553645 (EA)
- 21. Progeny Marketing Innovations, Inc. 518745 (OH)
- 22. Affinion Benefits Group, LLC, 495398 (OH)
- 23. Dwayne Nash Industries, Inc., 554679 (KH)
- G6. Special Taxes Matters ...... Mr. Gau
  - Redeterminations
    - U S Smokeless Tobacco Brands, Inc., 151452, 163664, 170086, 197348 (ET)
  - Relief of Penalty
    - 2. Philadelphia Indemnity Insurance Co., 562682 (ET) 'CF'
    - 3. Fire Insurance Exchange, 562689 (ET) 'CF'
- G7. Special Taxes Matters Credits, Cancellations, and Refunds ...... Mr. Gau
  - Refunds
    - Northwestern Mutual Life Ins. Co., 551094 (ET) 'CF'
    - 2. Northwestern Mutual Life Ins. Co., 552166 (ET) 'CF'
    - 3. Willis Insurance Services of California, Inc., 564987 (ET) 'CF'

There are no items for the following matters:

- G8. Property Tax Matters
- G9. Cigarette License Fee Matters
- G10. Legal Appeals Property Tax Matters

There are no items for the following matters:

- H. Tax Program Nonappearance Matters Adjudicatory
- I. Tax Program Nonappearance Matters

## **Chief Counsel Matters**

There are no items for the following matters:

- J. Rulemaking
- K. Business Taxes
- L. Property Taxes
- M. Other Chief Counsel Matters

#### **Administrative Session**

There are no items for the following matters:

- N. Consent Agenda
- O. Adoption of Board Committee Reports and Approval of Committee Actions
- P. Other Administrative Matters
  These items are scheduled for Friday, June 24, 2011.

## Q. Closed Session

- Q1. Discussion and approval of staff recommendations regarding settlement cases (Rev. & Tax. Code §§ 6901, 7093.5, 30459.1 and 50156.11).
- Q2. Discussion and action on personnel matters (Gov. Code § 11126(a)).

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# B. Corporate Franchise and Personal Income Tax Hearings

(Contribution Disclosure forms required pursuant to Gov. Code § 15626.)

B15. Matt T. Knudstrup and Deborah E. Knudstrup, 342390 +

For Appellant: Matt T. Knudstrup, Taxpayer
For Franchise Tax Board: Jane Perez, Tax Counsel
Diane Ewing, Tax Counsel

B16. Klaus W. Wang, 441035 +

For Appellant: Klaus Wang, Taxpayer

John O. Kent. Attorney

For Franchise Tax Board: Maria Brosterhous, Tax Counsel

Ann Hodges, Tax Counsel

B17. Shirley J. Carter, 518429 +

For Appellant: Monical Allen, Representative
Jason Peart, Representative
For Franchise Tax Board: Karen Smith, Tax Counsel
Diane Ewing, Tax Counsel

B18. Richard Palmquist, 526815 +

For Appellant: Richard Palmquist, Taxpayer

Amber Bridges, Representative

For Franchise Tax Board: Jaclyn Appleby, Tax Counsel

Diane Ewing, Tax Counsel

B19. Joe L. Santos, 445970 +

For Appellant: Jason Peart, Representative For Franchise Tax Board: Jane Perez, Tax Counsel

Karen Smith, Tax Counsel

B20. Tawfik H. Rizkallah, 536082 +

For Appellant: Tawfik Rizkallah, Taxpayer

Amber Bridges, Representative

For Franchise Tax Board: Jaclyn Appleby, Tax Counsel

Diane Ewing, Tax Counsel

B21. Ruben Juarez, 514090, 514195 +

For Appellant: Ruben Juarez, Taxpayer

Paul Delgadillo, Representative

For Franchise Tax Board: Jaclyn Appleby, Tax Counsel

Diane Ewing, Tax Counsel

B22. Vista Pacific Townhomes Association, Inc., 522642 +

For Appellant: Murray Greiff, Attorney

Norman Delgado, Witness

For Franchise Tax Board: Jane Perez, Tax Counsel

Karen Smith, Tax Counsel

B23. Maricel B. Hernandez, 521850 +

For Appellant: Maya Harel, Representative For Franchise Tax Board: Jaclyn Appleby, Tax Counsel

Diane Ewing, Tax Counsel

B24. Marie R. Sanders, 522825 +

For Appellant: Marie Sanders, Taxpayer

Paul Delgadillo, Representative

For Franchise Tax Board: Karen Smith, Tax Counsel

Jane Perez, Tax Counsel

B25. Dennis LeVine and Dawn LeVine, 529697 +

For Appellant: Dennis P. LeVine, Taxpayer

For Franchise Tax Board: Diane Ewing, Tax Counsel

Jane Perez. Tax Counsel

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# C. Sales and Use Tax Appeals Hearings

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C1. Boris Khodzhoyan, 405900 (AP) +

For Petitioner: Rubina Arutyunyan, Representative For Department: Scott Lambert, Hearing Representative

C2. RC Marketing, Inc., 461615, 377842 (EH) +

For Petitioner/Claimant: Regnor Hastings, Representative

For Department: Cary Huxsoll, Tax Counsel

C3. James Alan LaBarge, 422110 (UT) +

For Petitioner: James Alan LaBarge, Taxpayer

Cris J. Wenthur, Attorney

For Department: Scott Claremon, Tax Counsel

C4. Frank Allen Randazzo, 421497 (UT) +

For Petitioner: Frank Allen Randazzo, Taxpayer

Howard S. Borenstein, Attorney

For Department: Scott Claremon, Tax Counsel

C5. Shantilli, LLC, 434838 (UT) +
For Petitioner: Brett Hoffman, Taxpayer
For Department: Scott Claremon, Tax Counsel

C6a. Jeff's Exotic Fish, Inc., 484114 (AS) +

C6b. Jeff's Exotic Fish, Costa Mesa, LLC, 484115 (EA) +
C6c. Jeff's Exotic Fish, Costa Mesa, Inc., 484116 (EA) +
For Petitioners: Jeff Majdali, Taxpayer
For Department: Cary Huxsoll, Tax Counsel

C7. City of Los Angeles-Controller, 489155, 509958 (AA) +

For Petitioner/Claimant: Daniel Whitley, Representative

Ricky Deguchi, Representative

Bruce Truitt, Witness

For Department: Scott Lambert, Hearing Representative

C8. Enyinnaya Christian Ojogho, 396268, 414889 (AS) +

For Taxpayer/Claimant: Enyinnaya Christian Ojogho, Taxpayer

Martin I. Cutler, Attorney

Genaro Augusto Arnao, Representative For Department: Scott Lambert, Hearing Representative

C9. Karen Renee Cullinane, 470168 (EH) +

For Taxpayer: Karen Cullinane, Taxpayer
For Department: Andrew Kwee, Tax Counsel

C10. Edmundo Gonzalez, 470281 (FH) +

For Petitioner: Edmundo Gonzalez, Taxpayer For Department: Andrew Kwee, Tax Counsel

C11. Housewares International, Inc., 464830 (AA) +

For Petitioner: Elias Lavi. Representative

Melanie Balagtas, Representative

For Department: Scott Lambert, Hearing Representative

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C12. Lona Marie Lee, 390217 (AA) +

For Petitioner: Lona M. Lee, Taxpayer

Floyd McCutcheon, Representative

For Department: Scott Lambert, Hearing Representative

C13a. Vincent Millhouse, 434901, 450539 (AS) +

C13b. Vincent Millhouse and Lisa D. Smith, 434902 (AS) +

For Petitioners/Taxpayers: Vincent Millhouse, Taxpayer

For Department: Scott Lambert, Hearing Representative

#### D. Special Taxes Appeals Hearings

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D1. George Alfonos Youssef, 354991 (ET) +

For Petitioner: Mark D. Pastor, Attorney
For Department: Pamela Mash, Tax Counsel

D2. Ahsan Atiq Rehman, 377576, 528881 (ET) +

For Petitioner/Claimant: Ahsan Rehman, Taxpayer

Jim Fier, Representative

For Department: Stephen Smith, Tax Counsel

D3. Hassan Antonios Mahfood, 351999 (ET) +

For Petitioner: Hassan Antonios Mahfood, Taxpayer

Michel Shashaty, Attorney

For Department: Pamela Mash, Tax Counsel

# **Petitions for Release of Seized Property**

D4. Zartosht, Inc., 554941 (ET) +

For Petitioner: Mehdi Behmard, Representative For Department: Pamela Mash, Tax Counsel

D5. Egyptian Company, LLC, 562693 (ET) +

For Petitioner: Nabil Khalil, Taxpayer
For Department: Pamela Mash, Tax Counsel

#### **Administrative Session**

Items that appear under these matters provide information to the Members and may require Board action or direction.

#### P. Other Administrative Matters

- - Report on time extensions to Alpine, Colusa, Lassen, Los Angeles, Madera, San Joaquin, Santa Cruz, Sonoma, Sutter, Tehama and Yolo Counties to complete and submit 2010/11 Local Assessment Roll, pursuant to Revenue and Taxation Code section 155. +
  - 2. CROS Project Update and Actions ....... Mr. Gau Progress on the CROS project to replace BOE's two current tax legacy technology systems. +

# Board Committee Meeting convenes upon Adjournment of the Board Meeting\*

Set forth below are suggestions for Sales and Use Taxes legislation to be sponsored by the BOE in the first year of the 2011-12 Legislative Session.

#### I. 2011 Legislative Proposals: Business Taxes - Sales and Use Taxes

3-15 Add Revenue and Taxation Code Section 6452.2 to the Sales and Use Tax Law to specify a due date of April 15 for eligible purchasers, as defined, who have incurred use tax liabilities on purchases made during the previous calendar year.

# II. 2011 Legislative Bills: Recommendation for Board Position

AB 1424

Whether to extend provisions to the BOE, with an additional safeguard that requires the BOE to determine, on a case-by-case basis, which debtor it recommends for a license suspension, taking into account all facts and circumstances, and whether a suspension would be in the best interests of the state; Author: Perea

# Adjourn

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